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WALHALLA, S. C.:

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TRIUMPH FOR PROSECUTION.

The confessions of the McNamars at San Francisco last Friday came as a surprising climax to the trial that has been in progress for months without attaining the stage of securing a jury. It is well, we believe, that the two men have made confession of their guilt, but it is by no means certain what weighty considerations induced these men—criminals at heart and by practice—to forego trial and confess their guilt. We cannot but believe that there is more than the mere "saving of a neck" at stake. The McNamars, we believe, are not the only misguided and criminally inclined "wolves in sheep's clothing" within the ranks of the Federation of Labor. Having gotten as far as a confession, it is to be hoped that these men will later be induced to tell all they know, bringing to justice all those who, like themselves, have worked in a misguided way along illegal and criminal lines to bring about a betterment of labor conditions.

The McNamars, and the few others of their way of thinking, have done the cause of labor more harm than the great mass of honest and honorable men who represent organized labor can undo for years to come—not that the cause of labor has been irreparably hurt, for it has not. But the McNamara stigma will last for years to come, and it will operate against the cause of organized labor as an open sore.

What remains to be brought to light, however, is of greatest importance to the cause of labor in the United States. That there are others whose hands are as deeply steeped in blood as those of the McNamars we do not doubt; but we cannot believe that they will be found among the men "higher up." Nor are we ready to believe the theory of at least a part of the prosecution that such men as Samuel Gompers had even guilty knowledge of these crimes committed in the name of organized labor. Mr. Gompers is but human, and has often erred, but the record of the man points to him as high above such methods and incapable of crime. That, from the innocence of his own heart, in the consciousness of his own integrity, he has been woefully imposed upon, is our firm belief, and the near future, we feel sure, will find him aligned perfectly with the prosecution, throwing the weight of his own great personality, and the strength of the thousands he represents, into the breach that has been made, working to the end that justice may be done, that right may prevail, with the maxim ever before him, "Hew to the line; let the chips fall where they may."

Mr. Gompers, as the great head and leader of American organized labor, can assume no other course if he is to continue to walk and lead the thousands who look to him for advice and counsel, in the path of honor and justice that he has over hell to view as the great end and aim of organization in the ranks of labor.

Col. Roosevelt has at last put himself on record as "refusing to discuss nonsense." Now if he will quit talking it, there's hope for him yet.

"All Coons look alike" to Tar Heels. Only if it's a white Coon they howl him down, if a black Coon they string him up—a distinction with considerable difference.

Well! Is the trust busted? The people of Walhalla are paying one-half cent a gallon more for oil now than they did before the Standard Oil Company (to all intents and purposes except the actual fact) was dissolved.

We join most heartily in the congratulations Capt. Jim Bell, of Gaffney, is receiving on the appearance of the latest edition of the Congressional Directory. Our fondest hope is yet to be realized, however, and that will come only when we are able to congratulate the editor of the Columbia Record on "Hoyt's Expurgat." Edition of the Congressional Record."

Jerry Moore won the Boys' Corn Club prize this year in Florence county with a yield of 164 1/2 bushels on an acre. His world-record yield last year was 228 1/2 bushels.

LOCAL NEWS FROM SENECA.

Preparations for Another Good Play. Brief Local Mention.

Seneca, Dec. 5.—Special: The play given by some of the pupils of the high school, and others, was a big hit, and there have been many expressions from our local show-goers of their appreciation of the talent exhibited. There was a full house, and from the time the curtain went up on the first act till the close the players felt that they had the sympathy of the audience. It would be impossible to do full justice here to the exceptional work of the entire troupe. Each did his or her part in fine style, and the interpretations of the various lines showed marked ability for young beginners. The specialties were good also, and the music program was excellently rendered, showing also some marked talent in beginners. The management desires to express their appreciation of courtesies shown by Abbott Brothers for the use of a piano, and to Craig & Shirley for use of the opera house. The boys who took part, and others who kindly assisted in the preparations and conduct of the play, deserve special thanks from the management. A neat sum was realized for the track team.

Mrs. D. P. Thomson and children spent Thanksgiving with relatives in Greenville.

Mrs. J. E. Clarkson and daughters, Misses Esther and Etta, visited Mrs. C. Ravenel, at Keowee, last week, spending Thanksgiving and a few days following.

Mrs. Hammett, of Greenville, spent the past week-end with her sister, Mrs. Frank Alexander.

Miss Sue Gignilliat is in Sumter attending a house party.

Miss Lula Alexander, of Central, spent Thanksgiving with her friend, Miss Julia Hawkins.

Miss Lucille Hamilton, who is teaching in the Poplar neighborhood, was with homefolks for Thanksgiving.

Dr. E. A. Hines spent several days last week in work on the State Medical Board, of which he is the secretary. He visited some of the State institutions for the purpose of inspecting sanitary conditions.

Mary Kirkpatrick, colored, the faithful servant of Rev. M. R. Kirkpatrick's family, died last Friday after an illness of many weeks. Funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. Williams, of the colored Presbyterian church, and the remains were interred in the colored cemetery.

Wales Lowery, Rupert Nimmons and Chas. Lawrence spent the week-end in Greenville.

Lowery Hamilton, who is at Clemson this year, was with homefolks for Thanksgiving.

Misses Carrie, Sue Ellen and Annie Hunter visited in Greenville the past week.

Misses Margaret Morrison and Kirtie Sligh spent Thanksgiving with their homefolks at Clemson and Hahersham, respectively.

Prof. and Mrs. M. E. Brockman were with relatives in Greenville for Thanksgiving.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian church met with Mrs. W. O. Hamilton Monday afternoon. After the program was done the hostess refreshed the members with a dainty repast.

J. V. Stribling, of Anderson, was in Seneca last week on business.

Clinton Stribling is confined to his home with a severe attack of grip.

Clarence Miller visited friends in Atlanta last week.

Rehearsals for the play, "How the Club was Formed," are being held twice weekly, and it is the opinion of all who have seen a rehearsal that this will eclipse all previous efforts.

Our people are familiar with the plays that have been given heretofore by some of the married ladies of the town, who have appeared on several occasions. Possibly the most prominent success was the presentation of "The Blossom Family" two years ago. It has been said that this play (the Blossom Show) could not be improved upon, and while the participants appreciated this extravagant expression of appreciation, they believe that the present effort will be an improvement on the popular play.

We call attention again to the date, Thursday night, December 28th, so that no other entertainment of a public character will be set for that time.

Miss Mary Julia Reid entertained a few of her friends at a spend-the-day party last Saturday. The occasion was a delightful one, the time being spent in making dainty Christmas gifts.

Miss Mary Willie Morrison, of Clemson, spent Monday afternoon in Seneca.

Hal Todd's friends are pleased to see him at home and to know that he is rapidly recovering from a tedious illness.

Just three weeks till Christmas!

Street Car Dynamited.

Birmingham, Dec. 1.—An interurban car on the South Ensley line was blown up by dynamite at Ensley Highland Station shortly after seven o'clock to-night. Mortimer Johnson was seriously injured and Dispatcher Parsons was cut about the face by flying glass. Conductor J. J. Leo and the passengers escaped injury.

Feeling against the local traction company has been aroused by the signing last Saturday by the city commissioners of a new contract with the company affecting street car rates, transfers and the prices of electricity.

"I had been troubled with constipation for two years and tried all of the best physicians in Bristol, Tenn., and they could do nothing for me," writes Thos. E. Williams, Middleboro, Ky. "Two packages of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets cured me." For sale by all dealers.

Two Marriages at Salem.

Salem, Dec. 4.—Special: Married, on Sunday, November 26th, at Salem, by W. A. Grant, Magistrate, Miss Mary Duncan, of near Salem, to Jerry Gillespie.

On Sunday, December 3d, at the residence of W. A. Grant, Magistrate, Miss Ida Talley, daughter of Ex-County Commissioner James L. Talley, and Charlie Grant.

Hosts of friends join us in wishing these young couples prosperity and happiness on the journey life.

WESTMINSTER PERSONAL NEWS.

To Have New Baptist Church—Locals About Town.

Westminster, Dec. 5.—Special: The most attractive social event of the season was the banquet given by the Knights of Pythias Lodge last Wednesday evening. Quite a number of the fraternity and their friends were present. The guests assembled in the K. of P. hall for a short social meeting and to register before going to the dining hall. The tables were beautifully decorated with cut flowers and ferns. Several important members of visiting lodges were present, and after the three-course dinner was served numbers of them responded to toasts, among these being Prof. W. C. Taylor, who delivered the welcome address, W. C. Hughes, Esq., of Walhalla, responding to the same; Dr. E. C. Doyle, Seneca, "Sir William, the Goat"; Col. J. H. Craig, of Anderson, "Principles of Pythianism"; J. W. Shelor, Esq., of Walhalla, "Woman"; Prof. A. G. Rembert, of Spartanburg, "Pythianism and Fraternism."

Miss Nettie Thompson, one of the high school teachers, visited relatives in Anderson the latter part of last week.

Prof. M. C. Barton, of Piedmont, was among the visitors in town on Thanksgiving Day.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Marett will be delighted to learn that they will not move to Atlanta. Mr. Marett has bought half interest in T. C. Peden's store.

Morris Shanklin, of Los Angeles, Cal., is visiting relatives at Richland. He attended the K. of P. banquet here last Wednesday evening.

C. D. Marett and his sister, Miss Pauline, spent the Thanksgiving holidays with homefolks at Fair Play.

Mrs. W. B. Baker is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Woolbright, in Greenville this week.

D. B. Traxler, of Greenville, was in town Tuesday.

Revs. F. G. Lavender, D. F. Carter and A. P. Marett, Messrs. A. R. Marett and W. O. Alexander, left on No. 12 Monday for Greenwood to attend the State Baptist Convention, which is in session there this week.

Mrs. J. M. Hull has returned from a visit to her daughter, Mrs. T. H. Carlege, of Commerce, Ga.

Mrs. L. M. Peden returned to Lenoir, Ga., last week, after spending some time with relatives in Westminster.

Miss Dora Haley is teaching the Hopewell school.

W. G. Russell, of Russell, S. C., visited his daughters, Mesdames J. G. Breazeale and J. J. McLeskey, last week.

D. P. Butler and family have moved into their new concrete residence near the Christian church.

H. L. Miller is building a dwelling on his lot between the residence of E. G. Moore and F. C. Davis.

Hon. J. W. Shelor, of Walhalla, was in town one day last week.

Miss Katie Harris, one of the high school teachers, was in Atlanta for a short while the latter part of last week.

Rev. J. L. Singleton left the first part of last week for Bennettsville to attend the Annual Conference of the Methodist church. Mr. Singleton's time here expires this year by limitation. He has been a faithful preacher and has a host of friends on the Westminster Circuit who regret very much to see him leave.

Union Thanksgiving services were held in the Baptist church last Thursday morning. Rev. R. L. Grier, the new Presbyterian minister, conducted these services.

The next number of our lyceum course will be given Friday night by Ralph Parlette, the famous lecturer. Those who heard his interesting discourse on the "University of Hard Knocks" last year are anxiously awaiting his return. The house will be crowded, so you had better get your ticket at once.

At the conference meeting held on the third Sunday in November the members of the Westminster Baptist church unanimously decided to erect a new church building on J. S. Carter's lot near the parsonage, at the corner of Windsor and Luckie streets. J. E. Gaines, J. G. Breazeale, K. W. Marett, J. S. Carter and T. D. Moore were elected a building committee. The cost of the new building was not definitely fixed.

DYNAMITE CATCHES FIRE.

Explosion of Twenty Pounds Wrecks Building at Fayetteville.

Fayetteville, N. C., Dec. 2.—The office of the Fayetteville Ice and Manufacturing Company was completely wrecked and the windows and window frames of nearby dwellings blown from the walls to-day, when twenty pounds of dynamite exploded during preparations for blasting operations by H. W. Abernathy, an expert from Charlotte, who, with his clothing ablaze, fled from the range of the double explosion in time to escape with his life. The explosions occurred at intervals of about one minute, the concussion of the first discharge being felt more than a mile from the scene of the blasting.

Abernathy, in preparing to explode one hundred and fifty pounds of dynamite in an artesian well in order to obtain a greater flow of water, was engaged in soldering together five tubes of the explosive, when a tube containing fifty pounds of dynamite caught fire from the soldering iron. The heat from the blaze set off the caps of two smaller tubes.

The officers and office employees of the company had previously vacated the building at the end of the plant near which the blasting was being done, and there were no casualties. Had all the one hundred and fifty pounds of dynamite exploded, the result is difficult to contemplate. Eighty-five pounds of the dynamite was consumed by the flames.

The quicker a cold is gotten rid of the less danger from pneumonia and other serious diseases. Dr. W. L. Hall, of Waverly, Va., says: "I firmly believe Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to be absolutely the best preparation on the market for colds. I have recommended it to my friends and they all agree with me." For sale by all dealers.

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FROM BOUNTY LAND.

School Opened With New Teacher. Interesting Personal Items.

Bounty Land, Dec. 4.—Special: Mrs. T. F. Wright and little son, of Greenwood, spent the week-end in the community as guests of W. D. and J. R. Wright.

Miss Bettie Barron made a recent visit to relatives in Easley.

The Bounty Land friends of the family of E. C. DuBose deeply sympathize with them in their bitter grief on account of his death, which occurred Saturday, the interment taking place at Richland Sunday at 3.30 o'clock. Mr. DuBose was an estimable gentleman and will be sorely missed in the church and in the community in which he resided.

Mrs. John L. Smith recently had a most pleasant visit to friends in Laurens and was in attendance on a reunion of the "girls" who attended George's Creek school years ago. This reunion was celebrated at the home of Mrs. L. M. Berry last winter. This meeting took place at the home of another of its members, Mrs. Owens. Mesdames L. M. Berry and W. T. Hubbard also attended, the latter stopping for a few days with friends in Easley before returning.

Oscar Doyle is suffering from a large carbuncle on his neck, and is out of school for a few days.

Miss Laura Smithson, of Westminster, was a guest of the Misses Davis last week.

Bounty Land school opened to-day, Miss Bulgin, of Franklin, N. C., presiding. The attendance was quite small at the opening, but we predict a full average and a successful term. Miss Bulgin comes well recommended, and we feel sure that satisfaction will be given.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Davis, of Greenville, visited at the Davis home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Tollison and several children, of New Hope, were visitors at E. L. Stone's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Bottoms, of the Mountain Rest section, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Rankin.

Capt. Monroe Kidd, sheriff of Hart county, Georgia, and Messrs. Mayhew and Dave Stribling, of Seneca, were bird hunting with Joe McDonald Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Shanklin and family, of Seneca, and Col. and Mrs. A. G. Shanklin and little daughter, of Clemson, spent Thanksgiving with their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Julia D. Shanklin.

Mrs. D. A. Perritt and daughter, Miss Lura, went to Picket Post yesterday, the former on business connected with missionary work.

A. W. Perritt spent Thanksgiving at home.

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NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT AND DISCHARGE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will make application to D. A. Smith, Judge of Probate for Oconee County, in the State of South Carolina, at his office at Walhalla Court House, on Monday, the 1st day of January, 1912, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, or as soon thereafter as said application can be heard, for leave to make final settlement of the estate of J. C. VonLehe, deceased, and obtain final discharge as Executor of said estate.

WILHELMINA VONLEHE IVESTER, Executrix.
December 1, 1911. 49-52

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the school houses for white children in Conners District, No. 21, Brewer District, No. 64, and Bear Swamp District, No. 72, also the school house and lot for colored children near Flat Rock colored church, will be sold at public outcry, to the highest bidder, on MONDAY, DECEMBER 11th, 1911, at the following hours:

Colored school house and lot, near Flat Rock church, at 1.30 p. m., at the school house site.

Conners school house for whites, at the school house site, at 2.30 p. m.

Brewer school house for whites, at school house site, at 3.30 p. m.

Bear Swamp school house for whites, at house site, at 4.30 p. m.

Terms of Sale: ONE-HALF CASH, balance in one year.
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